IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously Presented) A method of communication comprising:
in response to a request for a service, transmitting at least one message comprising existing delay information corresponding with an estimated delay length associated with accessing the service though an open loop network.

2. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the estimated delay length comprises at least one time interval between a first instant corresponding with a received service request and a second instant corresponding with granting service access.

3. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the estimated delay length comprises at least one time interval between a first instant corresponding with a received autonomous service request generated at a predefined moment in time and a second instant corresponding with granting service access.

4. (Original) The method of Claim 3, wherein the predefined moment in time comprises at least one of a periodic and an aperiodic instant.

5. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the estimated delay length corresponds with at least one of traffic congestion, channel condition, system loading, processor occupancy, queuing delay, and scheduler delay.

6. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein the open loop network comprises at least one of a wireline network and a wireless network.

7. (Original) The method of Claim 6, comprising:
collecting information corresponding with at least one parameter associated with service access.

8. (Original) The method of Claim 7, comprising:
determining at least one pattern associated with the at least one parameter.

9. (Original) The method of Claim 8, wherein the at least one parameter comprises at least one of traffic, channel condition, and service demand.

10. (Previously Presented) A method of communication comprising:
in response to a request for a service, receiving at least one message comprising existing delay information corresponding with an estimated delay length associated with accessing the service through an open loop network.

11. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 10, wherein the estimated delay length comprises at least one time interval between a first instant corresponding with generating a service request and a second instant corresponding with receiving a service access grant.

12. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 10, wherein the estimated delay length comprises at least one time interval between a first instant corresponding with an autonomous service request generated at a predefined moment in time and a second instant corresponding with granting service access.

13. (Original) The method of Claim 12, wherein the predefined moment in time comprises at least one of a periodic and an aperiodic instant.

14. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 10, wherein the estimated delay length corresponds with at least one of traffic congestion, channel condition, system loading, processor occupancy, queuing delay, and scheduler delay.

15. (Original) The method of Claim 10, wherein the open loop network comprises at least one of a wireline network and a wireless network.

16. (Original) The method of Claim 15, comprising:
generating information corresponding with at least one parameter associated with service access.

17. (Original) The method of Claim 16, wherein the at least one parameter comprises at least one of traffic, channel condition and service demand.